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INTRODUCTION

SOME NOTES ON INSURRECTIONARY ANARCHISM

Insurrectionary anarchism is not an ideological solution to all social problems, a commodity on the capitalist market of ideologies and opinions, but an on-going praxis aimed at putting an end to the domination of the state and the continuance of capitalism, which requires analysis and discussion to advance. We don't look to some ideal society or offer an image of utopia for public consumption. Throughout history, most anarchists, except those who believed that society would evolve to the point that it would leave the state behind, have been insurrectionary anarchists. Most simply, this means that the state will not merely wither away, thus anarchists must attack, for waiting is defeat; what is needed is open mutiny and the spreading of subversion among the exploited and excluded. Here we spell out some implications that we and some other insurrectionary anarchists draw from this general problem: if the state will not disappear on its own, how then do we end its existence? It is, therefore, primarily a practice, and focuses on the organisation of attack. These notes are in no way a closed or finished product; we hope they are a part of an ongoing discussion, and we most certainly welcome responses. Much of this comes from past issues of Insurrection and pamphlets from Elephant Editions.

1. THE STATE WILL NOT JUST DISAPPEAR; ATTACK

The State of capital will not "wither away," as it seems many anarchists have come to believe—not only entrenched in abstract positions of 'waiting,' but some even openly condemning the acts of those for whom the creation of the new world depends on the destruction of the old. Attack is the refusal of mediation, pacification, sacrifice, accommodation, and compromise. It is through acting and learning to act, not propaganda, that we will open the path to insurrection, although propaganda has a role in clarifying how to act. Waiting only teaches waiting; in acting one learns to act. The force of an insurrection is social, not military. The measure for evaluating the importance of a generalized revolt is *not* the armed clash, but on the contrary the amplitude of the paralysis of the economy, of normality.

2. SELF-ACTIVITY VERSUS MANAGED REVOLT: FROM INSURRECTION TO REVOLUTION

As anarchists, the revolution is our constant point of reference, no matter what we are doing or what problem we are concerned with. But the revolution is not a myth simply to be used as a point of reference. Precisely because it is a concrete event, it must be built daily through more modest attempts that do not have all the liberating characteristics of the social revolution in the true sense. These more modest

attempts are insurrections. In them the uprising of the most exploited and excluded of society and the most politically sensitized minority opens the way to the possible involvement of increasingly wider strata of exploited on a flux of rebellion that could lead to revolution. Struggles must be developed, both in the intermediate and long term. Clear strategies are necessary to allow different methods to be used in a coordinated and fruitful way. Autonomous action: the self-management of struggle means that those who struggle are autonomous in their decisions and actions; this is the opposite of an organization of synthesis that always attempts to take control of struggle. Struggles that are synthesized within a single controlling organization are easily integrated into the power structure of present society. Self-organised struggles are by nature uncontrollable when they are spread across the social terrain.

3. UNCONTROLLABILITY VERSUS MANAGED REVOLT: THE SPREAD OF ATTACK

It is never possible to see the outcome of a specific struggle in advance. Even a limited struggle can have the most unexpected consequences. The passage from the various insurrections – limited and circumscribed – to revolution can never be guaranteed in advance by any method. What the system is afraid of is not these acts of sabotage in themselves, so much as their spreading socially. Every proletarianised individual who disposes of even the most modest means can draw up his or her objectives, alone or along with others. It is materially impossible for the State and capital to police the apparatus of control that operates over the whole social territory. Anyone who really wants to contest the network of control can make their own theoretical and practical contribution. The appearance of the first broken links coincides with the spreading of acts of sabotage. The anonymous practice of social self-liberation could spread to all fields, breaking the codes of prevention put into place by power. Small actions, therefore, easily reproducible, requiring unsophisticated means that are available to all, are by their very simplicity and spontaneity uncontrollable. They make a mockery of even the most advanced technological developments in counter-insurgency.

4. PERMANENT CONFLICTUALITY VERSUS MEDIATION WITH INSTITUTIONAL FORCES

Conflictuality should be seen as a permanent element in the struggle against those in power. A struggle which lacks this element ends up pushing us towards mediating with the institutions, grows accustomed to the habits of delegating and believing in an illusory emancipation carried out by parliamentary decree, to the very point of actively participating in our own exploitation ourselves. There might perhaps be individual reasons for doubting the attempt to reach one's aims with violent means. But when non-violence comes to be raised to the level of a non-violable principle, and where reality is divided into 'good' and 'bad,' then arguments cease to have value, and everything is seen in terms of submission and obedience. The officials of the liberal "activist" movement, by distancing themselves and denouncing others have clarified one point in particular: that they see their principles – to which they feel duty-bound – as a claim to power over the movement as a whole.

5. ILLEGALITY; INSURRECTION ISN'T JUST ROBBING BANKS

Insurrectionary anarchism isn't a morality on survival: we all survive in various ways, often in compromise with capital, depending on our social position, our talents and tastes. We certainly aren't morally against the use of illegal means to free ourselves from the fetters of wage slavery in order to live and carry on our projects, yet we also don't fetishize illegalism or turn it into some kind of religion with martyrs; it is simply a means, and often a good one.

6. INFORMAL ORGANISATION; NOT PROFESSIONAL REVOLUTIONARIES OR ACTIVISTS, NOT PERMANENT ORGANIZATIONS

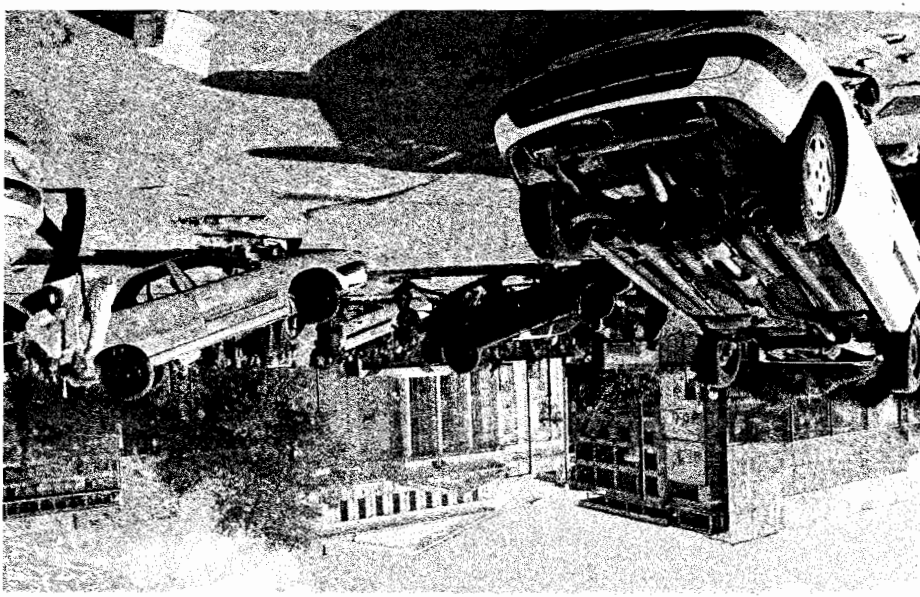
Profound differences exist within the revolutionary movement: the anarchist tendency towards quality of the struggle and its self-organization and the authoritarian tendency towards quantity and centralization. Organization is for concrete tasks: thus we are against the party, syndicate and permanent organization, all of which act to synthesize struggle and become elements of integration for capital and the state. Their purpose comes to be their reduced specific dimension, one that is decidedly that of attack and not a rear-guard relationship. We can start building our struggle in such a way that conditions of revolt can emerge and latent conflict can develop and be brought to the fore. In this way a contact is established between the anarchist minority and the specific situation where the struggle can be developed.

7. THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE SOCIAL: INDIVIDUALISM AND COMMUNISM, A FALSE PROBLEM

We embrace what is best in individualism and what is best in communism. Insurrection begins with the desire of individuals to break out of constrained and controlled circumstances, the desire to re-appropriate the capacity to create one's own life as one sees fit. This requires that they overcome the separation between them and their conditions of existence. Where the few, the privileged, control the conditions of existence, it is not possible for most individuals to truly determine their existence on their terms. Individuality can only flourish where equality of access to the conditions of existence is the social reality. This equality of access is communism; what individuals do with that access is up to them and those around them. Thus there is no equality or identity of individuals implied in true communism. What forces us into an identity or an equality of being are the social roles laid upon us by our present system. There is no contradiction between individuality and communism.

8. WE ARE THE EXPLOITED, WE ARE THE CONTRADICTION: THIS IS NO TIME FOR WAITING

Certainly, capitalism contains deep contradictions that push it towards procedures of adjustment and evolution aimed at avoiding the periodic crises that afflict it; but we cannot cradle ourselves in waiting for these crises. When they happen they will be welcomed if they respond to the requirements for accelerating the elements of the insurrectional process. As the exploited, however, we are the fundamental contradiction for capitalism. Thus the time is always ripe for insurrection, just as we can note that humanity could have ended the existence of the state at any time in its history. A rupture in the continual reproduction of this system of exploitation and oppression has always been possible.



NEWS & ACTION

LUBLIN, POLAND: TWO BANKS ATTACKED BY 'FELICITY RYDER ANARCHIST CELL'

1.5.13

Our shoes are worn out from all the boring peace walks we have joined. Not only have we noticed holes on the shoe soles, but we have also realised that we are stuck in one place and our inner ferocity is now lulled into gentleness. Demonstrations are not a good outlet for our anger, which cannot be satisfied with mere tramping the streets, all under the watchful eye of the police. Thus, we feel forced to seek new paths of action.

This is why, on the 1st of May we went for a walk without informing the authorities. We took with us a few litres of paint and made a resolution that we need to do something for our comrades. We painted windows of two banks located in two different parts of the city. Their owners should know that not every potential visitor will have peaceful intentions and will beg for a loan.

We dedicate the operation to Felicity Ryder, an anarchist from Australia, who has been hiding for months from the watchdogs, as well as to those arrested in Greece, Italy and other parts of the world.

Banks are a perfect target for anarchist attacks. Behind their rehearsed smiles, the clerks hide everyday tragedies. Banks play the role of blood vessels of this fucked up system, they back up armies and multinational corporations, they help to concentrate the capital in the hands of very few, they protect business of the rich, and speculate with the money of the poor. Banks are the very institutions on which financial market dictatorship rests. Through banks' throats there runs a monstrous assembly tape of contemporary civilisation, which covers the globe with chains of wage labour causing exploitation, alienation, and eco-catastrophe.

Democracy is a lie. It is obvious to anyone who heads it, starting from journalists and ending with politicians. Yet, no one will ever admit it openly for fear of losing a well-paid position as professional liar. Political agendas are dictated by markets, and their most important voters are inventors and international economic elites, which can freely corrupt the minds of society and politicians.

What is more, democracy closet hides many dead bodies. Well-known democrats such as Sikorski[1] or Michnik[2] hold a Cuban blogger Yoani Sanchez up as an example, but they themselves support the racist slaughter of the people of Iraq and Afghanistan.

We despise the Castro regime, but we are not afraid to ask what an awful thing Cuba has done so that now we have to fight with the Republic and not with American imperialism.

There are two established standards: one for the Western Civilisation and the other for the Islamic World. Only following this line of reasoning can we understand why hundreds of thousands of people murdered in Iraq and Afghanistan remain invisible to an average inhabitant of Europe, even when the issue is explicitly mentioned by the murderer from Woolwich, London (killing of Lee Rigby by Islamic

extremists). At the same time, the government and the media depict the repression of Castro and Łukaszenka as a real crime. This is how a modern version of civilisational racism looks.

Everyone who defends "human rights" without opposing imperialist wars becomes a racist to us. Understanding all this, we declare ourselves opponents of the democratic mystification, which hides pure violence behind the facade of political freedom.

The majority, however, doesn't see it as a problem. Who would have enough time to reflect on all this? One needs to pay the bills, bring home the bacon, and build a career. There is no time to think, let alone look for new horizons. Modern loan slavery converts freedom in a complete mockery. With a full belly and a roof over head, people are afraid to defense their rights for fear of losing jobs and going into serious debts.

The issue is not that simple, though. Certainty in employment may as well mean a society of satiated slaves. To many it doesn't really matter in what world they live as long as they can sustain their standard and have a little chance to get promoted.

Those who fell victims to the banking mafia are willing to complain in front of cameras and to public prosecutor's office. Even though they see how the system treats the poor, they themselves will never lift a finger. We distance ourselves from the pain of others, and the most important people are those who have already declared war against the system, our anarchist comrades, here and all over the world. Without them, we would fall in disbelief.

Our main concern is to save our own humanity from all this shit, not to change into robots who work from morning till late evening, and take care of their own asses only. Every day, we sell ourselves to the system and it is easy to miss the very moment in which the last spark of independence dies out. Illegal action restores our dignity, and helps us regain some of the lost independence. This is why, every little display of sedition in this mire of apathy causes a smile on our faces. We greet people from the group 15w08 (3) and the saboteurs who damaged city cameras in Warsaw (4). Your actions give us strength and the feeling that we are not alone, that there are other comrades willing to violate the order!

It will still take some time before destructive direct action take roots in the hearts of Polish Anarchists. The thing is that nowadays a real threat is not a truncheon but a common need to stay in seclusion, escape into the virtual world of facebook, or meaningless mouse-clicking; and in the meantime, fascists are conquering streets.

Some would like to see illegal action taking place in our country as early as today, although they don't do anything themselves to make it happen. They adopt a passive attitude of an observer, which leads nowhere. You cannot win anything, if you are not willing to risk. Set an example yourself.

Come on, anarchists!

Aim at banks! Aim at nationalists!

"We want revolution! We want vendetta! We want revenge! We want dintojra! We have the right to demand it!"

Felicity Ryder Anarchist Cell

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{1} Radosław Sikorski – Foreign policy minister in the Polish government. Poland sent troops to Afghanistan and Iraq.
{2} Adam Michnik – editor-in-chief of the largest establishment newspaper "Gazeta Wyborcza"{"Election Newspaper"}. One of the fathers of the Polish transformation to capitalism.
{3} 15w08 – direct action group which was active in Warsaw between 2012/2013. They made a few paint attacks against NeoBank (involved in aggressive gentrification in Poznan city), boutique Lilou, Lion's House, Deutsche Bank and fashion shop of popular polish designer Maciej Zien. Website with fotos: http://15w08.blogspot.com/
{4} Some saboteurs have destroyed 2 cctv cameras in Warsaw in May/June 2013. Website of perpetrators: http://aanti.wordpress.com/

SYDNEY: ILLEGAL 'BUSH DOOFS' A BREEDING GROUND FOR WILD BEHAVIOUR

5.5.13

They're a breeding ground for wild behaviour, sexual assaults, violence and underage drinking – and they're as tough to control as your average 16-year-old.

In the events known as "bush doofs", hundreds of drunken teens descend on a vacant property for a night of thumping music, dancing and wild partying. Riot police were called in to shut down the most recent illegal parties. Highly organised, experienced party planners go to great lengths to keep the events under wraps. Details of the parties are posted on Facebook for only 15 minutes to prevent authorities tracking down the location. The invite list is compiled by word of mouth. A $15 fee covers entry and other set-up costs.

The most recent bush doof at Kellyville was shut down by the riot squad a week ago on Saturday night when hundreds of drunken teenagers were caught trespassing on a property owned by Sami Fahd. The week before, out-of-control partiers stormed through Wentworthville, overturning cars and causing thousands of dollars worth of damage. Three people were arrested.

Organisers refer to the events as "round" parties, an apparent taunt to authority to imply they are recurring, much like a boxing match. The bush doof at Kellyville was "round 7".

Inspector Helen Dean of The Hills local area command in northwest Sydney, where the bulk of the parties are held, said: "Anything on Facebook for us is a nightmare because it is so far reaching.

"We are always worried something like this could get out of control, innocent people could get hurt and properties could be damaged. I appreciate they are kids who want to hang out and have a good time but we know what can go wrong."

Police received a tip-off about the Kellyville party on the morning it was due to take place, prompting them to turn to Facebook to obtain intelligence as the address was due to be uploaded at 3pm.

"We logged on to Facebook, made a few inquiries which led us to two Facebook pages which allowed us to monitor their updates in relation to the location," Insp Dean said.

By 3.15pm the officers were standing at the location. The bush doof on Glenhaven Rd, Kellyville, was shut down before it got started last Saturday. Insp Dean said they remain on alert for "round 8".

"What appalled me was parents dropping their children off. They were turning up with a car load of 16-year-olds and I would say to mum or dad, 'do you know whose party this is?' and they said 'no'. I don't know what goes through their heads."

Police believe one of the organisers of the Wentworthville party was also behind the failed Kellyville event.

"We have seen photos of him at both," said Acting Commander at The Hills district, Superintendent Gary Bailey. "In terms of charges, we are looking at least at trespassing on a house they didn't have permission to use. They are underage."

In Kellyville last week, the owner of the property could only stand by helplessly and watch as car loads of teenagers turned up to his newly built home which he is now considering selling.

"We had no idea. No idea," said the father of four who did not wish to be named. "I picture what could have happened to our home, which we have almost finished building.

"The thought of thousands of young guys having that address and a description of the property is scary.

"I am a tough man but my wife can't imagine herself going to that property now."

"My son and I arrived at the property at 7.35pm and there were police and riot squads in large numbers," he said.

The distressed owner said police have since established that two 17-year-old boys working as apprentice plumbers on the rural property had organised the party.

However, policing the new trend is difficult as addresses are spread on social media.

On April 27 at 10.50am, Nathan Duval posted "Round 7. Hecktik keen". He then announced the address and told his hundreds of Facebook friends that the entry fee was $5 if they arrived before 8. Kamran Mohammed Safavi, who attended "round 7", is claiming to be organising "round 8". "Host of Round 8 – with Joseph Makhlouf."

CANBERRA: POLITICIAN ATTACKED BY KANGAROO

16.5.13

Shane Rattenbury, a minister in the Australian Capital Territory government that administers Canberra, said he was jogging along the pavement in suburban Ainslie when he almost collided with an eastern grey kangaroo that had been grazing on a front lawn.

"We both got a nasty fright – and of course when kangaroos are startled they lash out," the 41-year-old said. "As the kangaroo sought to escape, it landed on me, and its claws dug into my leg."

Rattenbury said the 1.4-metre (4ft 7in) marsupial knocked him to ground, with the claws drawing blood from two deep scratches on his left leg. His right leg was bruised from the impact of the fall.

The minister was driven home by a passerby who spotted him lying injured on the roadside. He was taken to hospital, where his wounds were cleaned and he received a tetanus jab.

"The nurse who treated me had treated someone before who had been scratched by a kangaroo and ended up with a very bad infection," Rattenbury said. "So she was quite keen to give [the wound] a good clean-out."

When the minister limped into the ACT parliament a few hours after his ordeal he was bemused that many colleagues seemed more concerned about the kangaroo's welfare. "I can assure people that the kangaroo is fine," he said. "It was last seen hopping off into the distance quite comfortably."

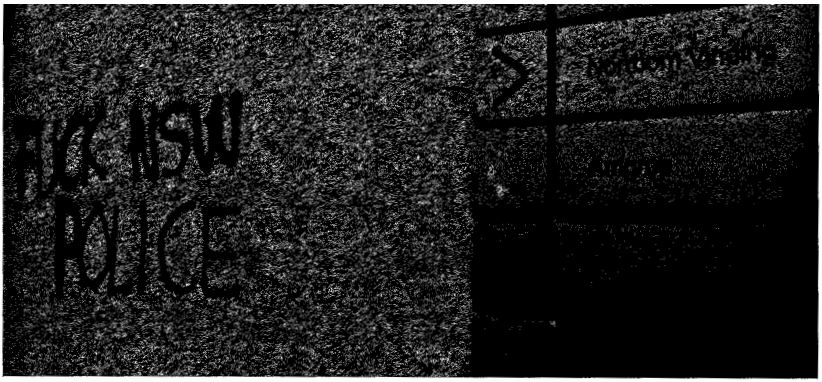
BERLIN, GERMANY: AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY ATTACKED

29.6.13

On the evening of the 29th of June we took it upon ourselves to beautify a large eyesore called the Australian Embassy in Mitte, Berlin. This small gesture was taken in solidarity with comrades across the world, in the colonised region known as Sydney.

We painted:
VIVA OCCUPY SYDNEY
DEATH TO SYDNEY COUNCIL

On June 25 Sydney City Council voted for police to clear the encampment once and for all. The site is one of the longest lasting street occupations that sprung out of the global wave of #occupy protests in late 2011. The Occupy Sydney camp has been hit by dozens of police raids and evictions over the past 18 months, and numerous comrades are still being dragged through the courts facing bullshit charges. We admire the determination of these



militants whom have continually fought to maintain the site, with a permanent info table, library, freeshop and food service for the hungry and shelter for the homeless in the centre of Sydney's buisness and tourist precinct.

Over the past month in Berlin, inhabitants of the Kreuzberg district have occupied a public square in solidarity with the rebels of Taksim and against the gentrification of their neighbourhood. Over the past week in Santiago, rebel youth have occupied 21 schools which are to be the site of polling booths for the upcoming election. From Sao Paulo to Sydney politicians have failed to bring us world free from poverty and strife. The only hope for a better world lies in the collective occupation of public squares, parks, buildings and neighbourhoods, where we can directly manage our own lives through assemblies and communes.

Occupy their polling places and burn their ballot boxes and parliaments
From Mitte to Martin Place
We are everywhere

- The Public Nuisance Faction

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK: SOLIDARITY WITH THE USYD STRIKE

5.7.13

In the early hours of June 5 some anarchists redecorated the facade of the Australian embassy in Copenhagen with messages of solidarity with the ongoing strike at Sydney University. Students and workers at USYD have faced off against the pigs of the NSW police force on numerous occasions since April this year, in an ongoing campaign against neoliberal restructuring of their university.

We sprayed:
NO JUSTICE NO PEACE
CUT SPENCE STAB SCIPIONE
DROP ALL CHARGES AGAINST USYD STRIKERS
A.C.A.B.
A.V.C.A.B.*
FUCK NSW POLICE
FOR THE SYDNEY UNI COMMUNE

Over the past two months NSW Riot Police have attacked and charged dozens of staff and students defending pickets and barricades of the USYD campus, some strikers have had their bones broken by the pigs. In response to these attacks, we suggest comrades in Sydney respond with fire. Any armed attack on Vice Chancellor Michael Spence, NSW Pig Commissioner Andrew Scipione and their riot thugs is justified self-defence.

From Sydney to Santiago, Stockholm to Istanbul the neoliberal paradigm is being met with increasingly fierce resistance. As the rebels from Istanbul to Ankara have just shown us, if we wish live outside the forces of gentrification and austerity we must collectively organise to reclaim territory from police, developers and administrators and abolish capitalism from our lives.

TAKSIM SQUARE IS EVERYWHERE

ALL COPS ARE BASTARDS
ALL VICE CHANCELLORS ARE BASTARDS*
COMMUNISE SYDNEY UNI

- Unicorn Strike Brigade

NAURU: RIOTS DESTROY DETENTION CENTRE

21.7.13

About 125 people who sought asylum in Australia were in police custody on the Pacific island nation of Nauru after a riot ended with fire destroying most of the Australian-run detention centre there, an official said on Sunday.

The blaze on Friday evening destroyed all the accommodation blocks, medical facilities and offices and caused damage worth an estimated A$60m, the immigration department said. Only the dining and recreation buildings survived. A spokeswoman for the Nauruan government said police were stood down at 5am on Saturday. She said only 10 asylum seekers had not had any involvement in the riots.

The remaining 420 asylum seekers had been transferred to tents at a second detention camp under construction on another part of the tiny atoll, which is home to fewer than 10,000 people, the spokeswoman said. The Nauruan Parliament passed new legislation on Friday night allowing police to hold people without charge for up to seven days. The ringleaders face property damage, destruction of property and riotous behaviour charges, which carry penalties of one to seven years.

Eight asylum seekers received hospital treatment following the riot in which protesters hurled rocks at guards and police armed with batons and shields.

Clint Deidenang, a resident who witnessed the hour-long riot from the camp fence, told Australian Broadcasting Corporation radio on Saturday that up to 1,000 local Nauruan men carrying machetes and steel pipes arrived to help police prevent the asylum seekers breaking out. There were reports that locals attacked a bus carrying detention inmates away. Deidenag described it as the biggest riot he had ever seen on the island.

Australia pays Nauru and Papua New Guinea to hold asylum seekers who attempt to reach the Australian shore by boat. Their asylum claims are assessed at the island detention camps.

The Australian government has announced that effective from last Friday all refugees who come by boat to Australia will instead be permanently settled in Papua New Guinea, a national of 7 million mostly subsistence farmers.

Ian Rintoul, co-ordinator of Australia's Refugee Action Coalition advocacy group, said asylum seekers could no longer be adequately cared for on Nauru because of the fire and should be brought to Australia. Rintoul said Friday's protest about the time taken to process asylum claims had been planned throughout last week. The fire had not been planned, he said.

"The Friday night protest was planned to be a breakout and march to the airport then back to the detention centre," Rintoul said. "What seems

to have happened is that there has been far more resistance than had been expected."

Most of the protesters were Iranian, Palestinian, Lebanese and Iraqi, he said.

PERTH: IMPRISONED TEENS TRASH CELLS

22.7.13

Charges may be laid against five juvenile offenders who ran amok at a Perth prison for adults, where they were sent after their usual facility was trashed in a riot.

Five cells at Hakea prison were damaged on Saturday night – the second time since late June the teenagers have damaged their rooms at the facility. Sinks, toilets, shower areas, shelving and mattresses were all trashed, a Department of Corrective Services spokesman confirmed.

The detainees did not get out of their cells, unlike the riot at the nearby Banksia Hill Detention Centre for juveniles in January that left 108 of the facility's 240 cells unfit for use and prompted the transfer of the inmates.

Staff and detainees were not injured in the latest incident.

The department, which is yet to estimate the cost of the damage, is investigating the circumstances of the incident and may lay criminal damage charges. In May, 30 juveniles and five 18-year-olds were charged over the Banksia Hill riot, while one of the adult offenders was charged with two counts of assaulting a police officer.

MELBOURNE: MAN DOUSES HIMSELF WITH PETROL IN ACT OF PROTEST IN FOYER OF IMMIGRATION BUILDING

5.8.13

A man has been taken into custody after dousing himself with petrol in the foyer of a CBD building.

The man, who was in the foyer of the Casselden Place building, which houses the Department of Immigration and Citizenship and the Australian Tax Office, had been speaking with police negotiators before he was arrested about 5.40pm today.

It is believed he was protesting a government department within the building at the corner of Lonsdale and Spring streets.

Witness Andrew Marshall said he saw a translator frantically trying to calm the man, just before a CriticalIRT officer raised his weapon.

"He did fire it at him; you could hear the boom go off," Mr Marshall said.

It looked like they used beans or rubber bullets to restrain him, because after that it was all over."

The man was removed from the site in custody by a CIRT officer and flanked by two other police members around 5.50pm.

Police officers took the man to an ambulance and he was taken to hospital after a stand-off lasting more than two hours.

The area was cordoned off as police tried to quickly resolve the situation.

The Metropolitan Fire Brigade was also called to the scene.

WA: JUVENILES TRASH PRISON AGAIN

30.8.13

Juvenile detainees who trashed their cells at Hakea Prison for adults in Perth were encouraged by one youth who started the rampage, Corrective Services acting commissioner Heather Harker says.

A dozen teenage offenders were responsible for damage to 10 cells on Thursday night and have been moved to the management unit at Banksia Hill Detention Centre.

More than 70 juveniles were sent to Hakea Prison in January after nearly half the cells at Banksia Hill were trashed during a riot. There are currently 100 juveniles at Hakea and 60 at Banksia Hill.

Ms Harker said one boy caused a disturbance in his cell on Thursday at 7pm (WST) and then encouraged others to damage their cells too.

She said youths in both units were involved in the rampage that lasted about three hours. Damage was caused to shower screens, toilets and sinks, and shelves were also ripped off walls.

Ms Harker said the offenders' behaviour would be closely monitored in the management unit until they could go back into the mainstream area of the detention centre.

Corrective Services Minister Joe Francis said he expected the youths to face charges.

Last month, five juvenile detainees destroyed sinks, toilets, shelves and mattresses at Hakea.

The teen offenders also damaged cells in June, but Mr Francis was not told until 10 days later, prompting him to visit unannounced for an inspection and vent fury at the department on talkback radio.

In a report tabled in parliament earlier this month, Custodial Services inspector Neil Morgan said the riot at Banksia Hill – the state's only juvenile detention centre – was entirely predictable.

Chronic understaffing at Banksia Hill, with a disproportionately high number of guards on workers compensation leave, had led to rolling lockdowns and tensions among inmates.

It has cost the state government more than $3 million to repair and improve security at Banksia Hill.

MELBOURNE: POLITICIANS' OFFICES VANDALISED

30.8.13

The current border policies of the ruling elite are cruel, oppressive, revanchist. Last night we vandalised the offices of Simon Crean, Anna Burke, and Andrew Robb; they are complicit.

The politicians and bosses have driven wedges between us, trying to convince us there is an enemy in people from across the sea. The real enemy, of course, is those who seek to rule us. Our sisters and brothers, the 'boat people', have been asking for our solidarity for years. They have petitioned, protested, hunger-striked, self-harmed and suicided. But help has not come. The only rational response left is to riot.

We are privileged citizens in occupied land and we stand to benefit from this racist approach. But this won't do. We don't accept this reality and we never will. It doesn't matter who we are. What

matters is that we resist. That we show resistance is possible. It's the right – the only – way to act in such terrible times. In doing so we hope to inspire others to break the spell of passivity, together we can turn the world upside down.

We stand by the rioters, the 'boat people', the border-hoppers and 'illegals' in this land and throughout the world. We stand by them til all the prisons are ash and the borders finally broken.

Whoever is elected, we remain,

Ungovernable

MELBOURNE: VANDALS ATTACK OFFICES OF LIB AND LAB MPS

30.8.13

The Melbourne electorate offices of a Labor and a Liberal MP have been vandalised with graffiti attacking their stances on asylum seekers.

"Fre (sic) the refugees" was daubed on the Syndal office of speaker and Labor MP Anna Burke and three windows of a wall shared with other offices were smashed.

The Bentleigh office of Liberal finance spokesman and Goldstein MP Andrew Robb has been sprayed with similar sentiments: "no one is illegal" and "let them in".

There was also a failed attempt to break a window.

Ms Burke says she is disheartened and dismayed by the attack.

"I'm a bit dismayed because of everybody out there, I've been pretty outspoken on behalf of the refugee issue and concerned about everybody's policies, the Labor Party's including the Liberal Party's policies," she told ABC radio.

"So at one level I'm a bit taken aback but I think it just shows the tenor and tone of this election campaign debate."

Ms Burke said she believed people were reacting to three years of a hung parliament, vicious personal attacks and a lack of policy discussion.

Mr Robb said there was no justification for "wanton vandalism" in Australia.

"In Australia we debate robustly with words in the parliament so we can avoid fighting in the streets," he said.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott said he deplored such attacks.

CALL OUT FOR FIERCE DREAMS GREEN ANARCHIST GATHERING 18.10.13 - 20.10.13

FIERCE DREAMS

Fierce Dreams is a 3 day gathering that will be occurring from October 18th to 20th 2013 in the Blue Mountains, west of Sydney, Australia. This event will be an anarchist encampment/autonomous zone aimed at breaking down the barrier civilisation puts between eachother, the wilderness and the wildness within ourselves. Through organising this event we hope to build stronger connections based on anti-civilisation theory, green anarchist philosophy and the practice of rewilding.

We will not be dwelling on basic anticivilisation theory the whole time (instead there is a list of excellent readings at the end of this pamphlet). We won't be trying to convince particular people of the increasingly obvious fact that civilisation cannot be redeemed or fixed. And we are not going to waste time and energy having to defend ourselves against any workerist/leftist/reformist classical anarchists'again.

Instead the focus will be on methods to resist control in our everyday lives, reduce our dependency on civ, and discuss possibilities for rewilding, no matter where you choose to live. Together we will talk, weave, fish, gather, make fires, play games and explore ideas relating to a vision of life beyond civilisation. We will work to undo the domestication that civilisation has strongly conditioned us to believe as 'normal'. We aim to forge links between those of us who will not accept the atrocities of mass society and the empty promises of technology.

WORKSHOPS AND DISCUSSIONS

We encourage anyone wishing to facilitate a discussion or hold a workshop to get in touch with their ideas. Some possibilities for workshops that people might like to be involved in or host are: Parenting Against the Megamachine, Intro to Green Anarchy, Rewilding, Resistance To Civilisation, Plant Walks, Weaving, Healing from Civilisation, Firemaking, Star Gazing, Self Defence and The Defence of the Wild but are not limited to these suggestions. We hope that this will be a great opportunity to explore some of these concepts, so if you are interested in facilitating please get in touch!

Our vision is to have a less formally structured event, rather than an extravaganza filled with back-to-back workshops on a tight schedule. This can sometimes be draining over the course of several days. We want to ensure there is plenty of time for informal chats, looking at clouds, reading, making cordage, foraging, songs round the fire, or whatever you like to do. Those who want to engage in more serious dialogue or focus strongly on learning skills for the entire time can do so but heavy involvement will not be a requirement of attendance. What we are saying is that if you have had enough of sitting, talking or concentrating, feel free to quietly wander off!

HOW YOU CAN HELP US OUT!

We are also looking for people who have skills in

mediation, conflict resolution, any type of medic training, skills in workshop facilitation or anyone who is willing to help during the camp out with day to day procedures like digging latrines and bringing in supplies. We also need all people who attend to help in making this as safe, positive and productive space as possible. We will be implementing a safer spaces policy to deal with any issues that arise.

This is a completely free, non-commercial, and informal gathering. We are operating on 100% volunteer effort, a $0 budget and scavenged or liberated supplies. This is a child friendly, queer friendly and trans positive event.

ROLES WE REALLY NEED HELP WITH

- Conflict resolution and mediation
- Medics
- Child care
- Workshop facilitation
- Safer spaces implementation

If you have any of these skills in particular we would really appreciate your assistance so please get in touch and let us know you will be coming.

GETTING THERE

A map is attached in this pamphlet for instructions on how to get there. Trains go to X station and some carpooling can be arranged from there to the trailhead. It will be a several kilometre walk in and you will need to be self-sufficient in terms of food, shelter and water (although some water can be purified and used at the site, it's a good idea to have your own too).

SECURITY CULTURE

We ask people to please be aware of security culture. (There is a reading regarding responsible security culture at the end of this pamphlet). There are many different approaches to resistance and many different tactics that people may use to fight the megamachine. Please use common sense when talking about these tactics and always keep discussions hypothetical. We are not putting any conversation 'off limits' or manufacturing paranoia, simply advising people to be careful, be sensible, and speak in general terms. The authorities are always interested in information about resistance so although we want to talk freely about ideas we also want to be aware that they may infiltrate events like this to gain info. Never mention or ask another person about specifics of actions or events, or mention any names of people involved.

SAFER SPACES ISSUES

When it comes to physical intimacy and sexual contact, ASK FIRST! No Compromise In Defence of Consent!

Violence, physical assault, emotional assault, and/or sexual assault will NOT be tolerated under

any circumstances and anyone who engages in such assault will be asked to leave. In instances of assault we will trust and believe the survivor and respect any processes of accountability they initiate.

In attempting to manifest the world we desire, we will pursue non-coercive means of conflict resolution and non-coercive processes of accountability. Decisions affecting the group will be made horizontally through the utilization of consensus process.

Please do not make assumptions about an individual's gender, and if you feel unsure, do not be afraid to ask what someone's preferred gender pronoun is. If you use the incorrect gender pronoun, you will be corrected, but it is not something to be ashamed of. We have all been raised within a gender binary culture and breaking free of these false binaries is a process of learning and growing for all. It is also appropriate to introduce your preferred gender pronoun when first introducing yourself to new people, if you feel the desire.

The collective will strive to select sites with maximum accessibility in the context of a wilderness area. Due to the nature of these areas being wild places with rocky trails, hills, possible steep inclines or declines which are beyond our control (or desire to control for that matter), people with differing abilities may have trouble accessing the gathering. This is the reality of the natural world. We will, however make every effort to help people with differing abilities in getting their gear into the camp.

R.E.S.P.E.C.T.

Those who, deliberately or unwittingly, focus on scene politics and attack other peoples' beliefs will not be welcome. We would like to foster an atmosphere of acceptance in our relationships with each other. There is plenty of room for discussing different ideas but "deathing/blanking" others (deliberately shunning someone and not telling them why), talking over other people, dominating group conversations or spaces, and generally disrespecting people is not acceptable behaviour. Mediators will be available if people need assistance in dealing with conflicts or have any issues during the festival. "The scene", whether it be anarchist, punk or activist has real potential to split and thwart efforts to bring people together and build strong connections with each other in our resistance to civ. "The scene" often becomes insular and city-centric and therefore becomes exclusive to those outside of it. We ask that people leave this scene baggage behind and be welcoming to all people at the gathering. In the resistance to civ many people chose to live outside of the city or within the city but outside of "the scene". Just because you don't know someone doesn't mean they don't have something to offer.

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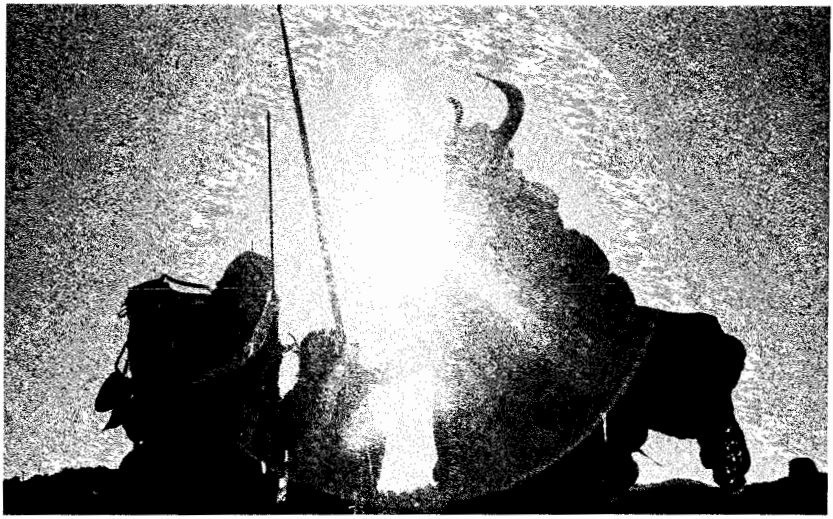


may use to fight the mega machine. Please use common sense when talking about these tactics and always keep discussions hypothetical. Never mention or ask another person about specifics of actions or events or mention any names of people involved. The authorities are always interested in information about eco-defence so although we want to talk freely about ideas we also want to be aware that some information is sought after by authorities and they will infiltrate events like this to gain info.

AROUND THE CAMP

We seek to create a temporary autonomous zone which functions as an egalitarian community. In this spirit of cooperation and mutual aid, we request that people attending the gathering put their hand up for work shifts such as cooking meals, cleaning the kitchen and washing dishes after meals, digging latrines, doing supply/water runs, security & welcoming, etc.

We ask that people establish communal fires within the gathering and refrain from making personal fires. A communal latrine will also be constructed and we ask that people refrain from digging personal poop holes. This will minimize our overall impact on the land.

Drugs and alcohol are discouraged. We may designate a rowdy area for people wishing to party if attendants feel it necessary. NO illegal drugs, please. All other space should be considered sober space. Your personal space is, of course, your personal space, and you may do what you wish within it. Please respect others. For safety reasons, we request total sobriety when attending workshops and trainings.

WHAT TO BRING (SUGGESTIONS)

Items we need for communal resource: (please get in touch if you have any of these)

Personal items:

- tent
- sleeping bag
- hammocks
- food & water
- water filter (suggested)
- toilet paper
- adequate clothing for hot days, cold nights, rain, etc.
- your own bowl, cup, utensils, etc.
- flashlight/headlamp & extra batteries
- sunscreen and bug repellent if you use it
- swimsuit & towel
- fishing gear & license
- musical instruments
- your knowledge, wisdom, and skills
- your friends!

COMMUNAL ITEMS (TO SHARE OR DONATE)

- tools (like shovels for digging shitters and hatchets/axes/saws for cutting up fire wood)

• food and water
• kitchen gear (large pots, pans, water containers, etc.)
• extra tents
• tarps and rope
• hammocks.
• First Aid gear!
• random primitive skills supplies (you know better than we do!)
• radical environmental, primitive, and rewilding literature
• local plant and animal identification guides, etc.
• local topographical maps
• your knowledge, wisdom, and skills
• your friends!

Things NOT to bring:

• Weapons (there's a difference between a TOOL and a WEAPON)
• parasitic or predatory human beings
• a bad attitude (including racism, sexism, classism, heteronormativity, homophobia, speciesism, ageism, ableism, etc.)
• law enforcement eg. police

RESPECTING INDIGENOUS LAND

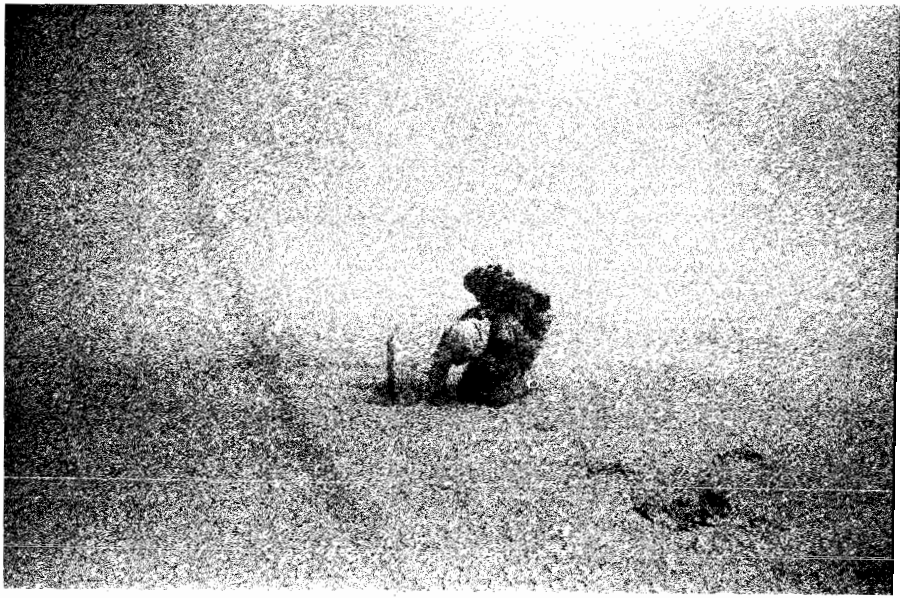
This Blue Mountains area, like the rest of Australia, is under occupation by colonising forces. We acknowledge this and support Aboriginal efforts toward their own liberation. We respect the original inhabitants of this area (Gundungurra and Darug people) and when the final site is determined we will be approaching the appropriate groups to let them know of our intentions with this gathering. We will accept any advice they have with regard to holding this event on their land.

READING LIST

Lines in the sand
Anarchy Primer
Green Anarchy Back to Basics – Rewilding
Pieces of Self

P.S. MASSIVE thanks to the Wildroots Collective for their help, inspiration, and allowing us to 'liberate' some of their material in compiling this site. Much love!

P.P.S. This blog is under construction. Any problems or info that isn't here just email fiercedreams@riseup.net.



FUCK THE POLICE ZINE

Annual Report of indigenous, ecological and anti-authoritarian resistance in the occupied territory known as New South Wales

This project was initiated as a response to NSW police propaganda regarding their 150 year history, specifically their release of a NSW police history book titled 'True Blue' and their 2012 annual report (available on their website). The report celebrates their many 'accomplishments' this year, in particular their 'public engagement' events.

As there are already a number of decent books written on the history of resistance in this territory, we decided to put together a short compilation of anti police actions throughout 2012, that would mirror the style and format of the NSW police annual report.

The project later expanded to include any actions against authority and toward greater personal and collective liberty and all actions in defence of wild nature. It was decided to also include actions within the ACT as it sits inside the boundaries of the original colony.

This report is only partial as most acts of anti authoritarian resistance are not reported in the mainstream press, and most people who stand up to authority don't write self aggrandising communiqués of their actions.

The contents include communiqués, media releases, photos, posters and leaflets which have been found on self publishing websites such as indymedia.org.au [and dissacords.wordpress.com]. The remaining content has been culled from the websites of corporate newspapers and TV stations. Some content has been edited for reasons of space.

The actions and opinions expressed in this zine do not necessarily reflect the perspectives or attitudes of any other individual or group mentioned in this publication.

This magazine is in NO WAY a ' for profit' publication nor is it in any way a formal enterprise or business venture. We encourage printing, sharing and widespread distribution of this magazine by anyone with resources to do so.

DOWNLOAD:

http://fuckthepolice2012.files.wordpress.com/2013/05/ftp-20121.pdf

FURTHER INFO

LINKS

Disaccords *Anarchist news blotter following events in the Asia-Pacific region.*	www.disaccords.wordpress.com
Anarchist News *News, events, shit-talking.*	www.anarchistnews.org
Contra-Info *International translation and counter-information resource.*	www.contrainfo.espiv.net
Anarchist Library *Online archive of Anarchist texts.*	www.theanarchistlibrary.org

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